MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY, HELD OCTOBER 14, 2021 AT

165 EAST GRAND AVENUE, RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance. Chairman Pekarofski stated that adequate meeting notice requirements, as prescribed by NJ Sunshine Law, had been met.

Upon roll call Commissioners Lesinski, Pekarofski, Simon, Thomas and Thomas-Petit answered present, with Commissioners Gonzalez and Ragan absent. Also in attendance were Attorney Testino, Accountant Ciarrocca and Maintenance Supt. Ricky Ansley.

Chairman Pekarofski requested that the minutes of the September meeting be acted on. Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas-Petit, seconded by Commissioner Simon, the minutes were approved by a vote of five (5) Ayes, two (2) Absent.

Under Director Report, Ms. Wenson Maier stated that all tenants at Kennedy that were affected by Storm Ida, has all been relocated and getting settled. Ricky and she will be working on submitting a FEMA Application. Ms. Wenson Maier further stated that she has spoken with the City Engineer, to inform her that our Board will be voting on a committee to designate a Developer in connection with the RFQ for Redevelopment Partners for the family site. Lastly, Ms. Wenson Maier went to visit all of the projects that have been complete by the developers, pictures will be uploaded and emailed out to committee.

Chairman Pekarofski requested that the September bills (incurred in August) be presented for payment. Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas- Petit, seconded by Commissioner Simon, the bills were approved for payment by a vote of five (5) Ayes and two (2) Absent.

Chairman Pekarofski presented the following Resolutions, with action taken as noted;

Res. #1649 – RESOLUTION APPOINTING A COMMITTEE TO DESIGNATE A DEVELOPER IN CONNECTION WITH THE RFQ'S FOR REDEVELOPMENT PARTNERS FOR THE FAMILY SITE – Upon a motion by Commissioner Lesinski, seconded by Commissioner Simon, Chairman Pekarofski appointed Commissioner Lesinski, Commissioner Simon and Commissioner Thomas for the committee, with Chairman Pekarofski as an alternate. Res. #1649 was approved by a vote of five (5) Ayes and two (2) Absent.

Res. # 1650 - REQUESTING THE PROMOTION OF SABRINA NEWKIRK FROM PART TIME SERVICE COODINATOR ASSISTANCE (25 Hours/week) TO FULL TIME SENIOR SERVICES COORDINATOR (37.5 Hours/week) -

Upon a motion by Commissioner Simon, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski, Res. #1650 was approved by a vote of five (5) Ayes and two (2) Absent.

Res. # 1651 – AUTHORIZING THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY TO PAY TRANSPORATION TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – Upon a motion by Commissioner Thomas-Petit, seconded by Commissioner Lesinski, Res. #1651 was approved by a vote of five (5) Ayes and two (2) Absent.

Under Financial Matters, Mr. Ciarrocca reviewed the monthly financial report, he pointed out some unexpected expenses such as;

- 5 payrolls & vacation checks
- Cyber security & technical support
- Retirement Dinner
- Annual fire alarm, elevator & exterminating costs
- · Increase in insurance

Under Legal Matters, Mr. Testino prepared Resolution #1651, Mr. Testino further mention the courts are beginning to open. Mrs. Ansley mentioned that Rahway Housing Authority had their first zoom court.

There being no Old Business; this portion of the meeting was closed.

Under New Business, Mr. Pushko's brother John Pushko had passed away, and Commissioner Ragan became a Grandfather to a baby boy.

Under Chairman's Report, Chairman Pekarofski wanted to thank everyone for volunteering their time with the tenants involved with Storm Ida.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm, by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Ansley
Recording Secretary